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I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS CORRESPONDENCE IS BEING TRANSMITTED VIA FACSIMILE (703)746-6874, PURSUANT TO 37
C.F.R. 1.8(a) AND 1.6(d), TO: EXAMINER S.A. JIANG, ON THIS 6TH DAY OF MARCH 2002.

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Assistant Commissioner of Patents
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Sir:

SECOND SUPPLEMENTAL AMENDMENT

In further response to the Official Action dated April 25, 2001 and supplemental to the
Amendments and Remarks filed on October 25, 2001 and November 15, 2001, kindly enter the
following additional amendments:

In the Specification

Please amend the first sentence in the specification immediately following the title as
follows:

is a continuation of
--This application ~~claims priority from~~ *is a continuation of* ~~co-pending~~ International Patent Application
Number PCT/IB98/01225 filed August 11, 1998, which claims priority from U.S. Provisional
Application No. 60/057,275, filed August 29, 1997. --

In the Claims

Please cancel claims 1 - 3, 84-101, 106, 109, 112, 115, and 118 - 184 without prejudice.

Please add the following new claims which then will be all the pending claims in the case:

1.
185.(new) A method for treating a mammal suffering from combined hypertension and